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APPLICANTS: LUDL -2
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TITLE: AUTOMATED SLIDE LOADER CASSETTE FOR MICROSCOPE

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated APRIL 2, 2004, with the time for reply having been extended for three months, from JULY 2, 2004 to OCTOBER 2, 2004, and with a Notice of Appeal plus Appeal Fee having been filed, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on Page 13 of this document.